### STRATEGIC FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE

# DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS (DOC) ADVISORY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING 02/12/08

# Purpose of the Strategic Facilities Planning Committee (SFPC)

- ❖ 2007 Legislature appropriated \$400,000 to Architecture and Engineering Division Long Range Building Program for planning projects statewide
  - \$250,000 of this money was allocated to DOC for development of a strategic facilities plan
- ❖ A committee was established of representatives from DOC, Architecture and Engineering Division and the governor's office
- ❖ The committee will gather and provide information for the planning consultant and to provide regular updates to the Advisory Council
- The goal of the committee is to work with the advisory council to develop a DOC Strategic Facilities Master Plan to guide DOC for the future by:
  - Projecting future facility needs in response to inmate population projections
  - Evaluating existing facilities, infrastructure and identify potential deficiencies
  - o Providing for cost-effective, program-responsive facilities
  - Developing recommendations for future long-range building program projects

#### **Members of SFPC**

Montana Women's Prison – Sue Orand Bob Paul

Community Corrections Division – Kerry Pribnow Rick Deady Pam Bunke

Youth Services Division - Cindy McKenzie

DOC Central Office – Rhonda Schaffer Gary Hamel Bob Anez

Governor's office – Brent Doig

Montana State Prison and contract beds – Pat Smith
Candyce Neubauer
Ross Swanson

Montana Correctional Enterprises – Gayle Lambert

Architecture and Engineering Division – Jim Whaley

DOC Advisory Council Representatives – Sen. Steve Gallus Commissioner Allan Underdal

#### Work of the SFPC to Date:

- Initial meeting of the committee to discuss:
  - o concepts and ideas related to strategic facilities planning
  - o identifying goals to be met through the process
- Initial facility inventory and survey form developed and completed by committee members regarding existing DOC state and contracted facilities
- Second meeting of the committee reviewed:
  - state population projections
  - o employment impact on where facilities are located
  - o review of the initial inventory and survey of facilities
  - o population projections
- Decision made to add representatives from the DOC Advisory Council to the SFPC
- Discussed process of advertising and selection of a consultant to assist with strategic facilities master planning process

# Hiring of Consultant through D of A Architecture and Engineering Division

- Five firms submitted information for consideration of a interview
- Three firms were interviewed
- ❖ Dowling Sandholm Architects, PC and consultants Carter Goble Lee selected:
  - o Consultants Carter Goble Lee experienced in inmate population projections
  - Vast experience in developing statewide correctional master plans
     (developed 25 Department of Corrections master plans in 21 states)
  - Experience with what is happening with corrections across the country and a variety of contacts
  - Recently completed a master planning for Idaho Department of Corrections
  - Dowling Sandholm architecture experienced in state construction projects
- Consultants meeting with SFPC to be set up late February/early March 2008

#### Scope of Work for Consultant

- Complete a strategic facilities master plan in conjunction with the SFPC and DOC Advisory Council that will:
  - Evaluate existing facilities
  - o Match facilities to inmate populations and needs
  - o Identify opportunities to improve program delivery
  - o Address facility or maintenance issues
  - o Review and provide information on inmate population projections

- Provide recommendations for funding, design and construction schedules in conjunction with population projections
- Consultant will regularly update and seek guidance from the DOC Advisory Council
- Design and prepare construction documents in conjunction with appropriate DOC staff for Long-range building program projects authorized by 2007 Legislature:
  - MSP High Security Improvements and Housing Unit Upgrades
  - Expansion of Food Factory and Food Service Capacity at MSP
  - o Energy improvements at MSP, MWP and other DOC locations

# **Role of the Advisory Council**

- Adopt long-term offender population projections
- ❖ Gather information first-hand on existing corrections infrastructure and future needs
- Review and analyze the information provided by the committee and consultant
- \* Review the draft master plan and make recommendations for changes
- ❖ Decide what portions of the plan require action by 2009 Legislature and subsequent sessions
- Establish timetable for future infrastructure projects

# **Questions**